



TVS Lower School Extracurricular Programs Spring 2022

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Online registration will open [HERE](https://forms.gle/4Sdsc9ZCXWDXQvbA) on January 4, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. (Link url: <https://forms.gle/4Sdsc9ZCXWDXQvbA>)

Benevolent Bookworms

Instructor TBA

Wanted: book lovers and kids with big hearts! Do you enjoy reading? Is kindness your thing? This unique book club will be all about reading and sharing good messages from great books. Each book the group reads together will inspire a craft to share or an act of friendship and generosity.

Grades 1-2 – Thursdays, 3:45-4:45

Session II only: March 24 to April 28, \$70 (includes \$10 for materials)

Bricks 4 Kidz

Tony and Ginger Justice, sponsors

After-School Classes for LEGO Enthusiasts! Students complete a new building challenge each week and can also enjoy creative LEGO® exploration time after the lesson. Bricks4Kidz offers different 6-week learning units each session. ENERGY IS EVERYWHERE will explore the energy we use every day to light our homes and power our cars. Students will build a variety of moving models to explore energy concepts. A PIRATE QUEST focuses on the pop culture life of pirates, and students will build ships, anchors, and more! Families will get weekly email summaries to discuss and explore after class. (Students re-use project parts each week, so the building kits don't go home.)

Grades K – Wednesdays, 2:45-3:30 – Minimum 9 students required

Session I: January 26 to March 2, \$95 – **theme: ENERGY IS EVERYWHERE**

Session II: March 23 to April 27, \$95 – **theme: A PIRATE QUEST**

Grades 1-4 – Wednesdays, 3:45-4:30 – Minimum 9 students required

Session I: January 26 to March 2, \$95 – **theme: ENERGY IS EVERYWHERE**

Session II: March 23 to April 27, \$95 – **theme: A PIRATE QUEST**

Chess

Stephen Raveneau, instructor

Learn and practice the rules of chess through games and group instruction. All levels are welcome. Coach Raveneau comes to TVS with 15 years of experience teaching chess at several DFW schools and teaching

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private students. He started playing at age four and loves to share his knowledge with a new generation of chess players. As an instructor Coach “Rav” values spreading the joy of playing the game more than overstressing competitive aspects of the game.

Grades K – Thursdays, 2:45-3:30 – Maximum 12 students per session

Session I: January 27 to March 10, \$110

Session II: March 24 to May 5, \$110

Grades 1-4 – Thursdays, 3:45-4:30

Session I: January 27 to March 10, \$110

Session II: March 24 to May 5, \$110

Chinese

Rose Zhang, instructor

Discover Chinese culture and traditions through games, cooking, calligraphy, and crafts.

Grades 1-4 – Thursdays, 3:45-4:30 – Maximum 12 students per session

Session I only: January 27 to March 10, no fee

Dance

Courtney Sebastian-Dotson and Hope Moon, instructors

Dance your way through ballet, jazz, lyrical, and hip-hop classes; and perform in the Spring Recital! Classes are organized by Levels. Contact Mrs. Forbes for more information.

Grades Pre-K-4 – classes and times vary throughout the week

Classes continue January 10 for current participants

Drawing Factory

Martha D’Brass, instructor

Attention daytime doodlers to aspiring artists! Come join the fun as we learn to draw popular subjects such as Emojis, Pokémon characters, animals, and much more. Students will create with pencils, markers, crayons, and watercolors. It will be in an environment of safe and inspired creativity. All ability levels are welcome—children will learn the value of just having fun drawing and being confident in their creative abilities. About the instructor: Martha D’Brass is a semi-retired teacher with 35 years of experience. She taught K-3 for 28 years in Grand Prairie ISD, TX and grades 1-2 for four years at Morrison Academy, an elite private school in Taiwan. She is dedicated to encouraging and supporting her students as they stretch their imaginations and grow in their knowledge. She believes in creating a classroom community of shared learning and fun. Maximum 15 students.

Grades 1-3 – Tuesdays, 3:45-4:45

Session I only: January 25 to March 8 (no class 3/1), \$70 (includes \$10 for materials)

Game On

Alyson Zabriskie, instructor

Let the good times roll as you play games to strengthen academic skill sets. Participants will engage in Minute-to-Win-It challenges, board games, and more that relate to problem solving, language arts, and math.

Grades 1-2 – Tuesdays, 3:45-4:30

Session II only: March 29 to May 3, \$60

Great Thinkers

Alison Gee, instructor

Come play strategy board games with Mrs. Gee and friends all the while powering up your amazing brain! This program focuses on fun, camaraderie, and keeping your mind sharp. Did you know that strategy board games enhance critical thinking skills? Students will put their decision-making skills to the test and be challenged to plan their moves around probability, cause, and effect, and learning how to read other players at the game table.

Grades 3-4 – Mondays, 3:45-4:30

Session II only: March 28 to May 2 (no class 4/18), \$50

**Mixed Media Art &
Pop-Up Cards**

Alejandra Markel, instructor

Build your mixed media skills and fill your artist portfolio. Students will learn how to create different textures, layers, and combine various materials to create original collage creations and whimsical pop-up cards to share with friends and loved ones.

Grades 1-4 – Thursdays, 3:45-4:45

Session I only: January 27 to March 3, \$75 (includes \$15 for art materials)

Snapology

Christy Helm, program sponsor

Snapology provides interactive STEM / STEAM programs for children featuring technology and popular building toys such as LEGO® bricks and K'Nex®. Kids have so much fun in our programs that they don't realize just how much they are learning. Encouraging a tinker mindset, the JUNIOR ENGINEERS program will give students opportunities to build functional LEGO® models of elevators, amusement park rides, robotic dogs, spinning tops, and so much more! The KINDERBOTS program is about exploring the world of robotics by building simple models that teach the fundamentals of robotic design.

Grade Pre-K – Tuesdays, 2:45-3:30 – Maximum 12 students

Session I: January 25 to March 8 (no class 3/1), \$120 – **theme: JUNIOR ENGINEERS**

Session II: March 22 to April 26, \$120 – **theme: KINDERBOTS**

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**Song & Dance Around
the World**

Pauline Medlin, instructor

Travel around the world through song, dance, and play with Mrs. Medlin. Participants will explore new cultures as the group focuses on a different continent each week.

Grades K-1 – Mondays, 3:45-4:30 – Maximum 12 students

Session II only: March 28 to May 2 (no class 4/18), \$50

Soccer Shots

Chad Wubbena and Vince Longoria, instructors

Be challenged through fun games and teamwork in this soccer program, which focuses on fitness, skills, and sportsmanship.

Grade Pre-K – Fridays, 2:45-3:30

January 21 to April 29 (no session on 3/18 or 4/15), \$260

Grade K – Fridays, 2:45-3:30

January 21 to April 29 (no session on 3/18 or 4/15), \$260

Grades 1-2 – Fridays, 3:45-4:30

January 21 to April 29 (no session on 3/18 or 4/15), \$260

**Trojan Strides
Run/Walk Crew**

Shelbea Malik, faculty lead, and Jamie St. Peter, parent sponsor

Get outside and get active! This after school program will have you putting one foot in front of the other as you walk, jog, or run your way across campus alongside friends. Participants will explore the TVS campus through various half-mile courses. Everyone is welcome—walkers, runners, newbies, and experienced! Participants are welcome to join us for one or both days each week. Please note: this session is different from the Trojan Strides Training Crew that will continue meeting on January 4, 2002.

Grades 3-6 – Tuesdays and Thursdays, 3:45-4:30

Session II only: March 22 to May 5, \$85

Trojan Travelers

Peter D’Brass, instructor

*Aspiring travelers—prepare for a fantastic journey around the world through storytelling, music, drawing, food, games, artifacts, videos, currencies, and more. Curious 4th6th grade students are invited to join Mr. D’Brass (former TVS teacher) for this fun, highly engaging, interactional program. Each session will focus on a thrilling exploration of diverse people-groups from global regions. **DID YOU KNOW:** Mr. D’Brass previously taught ancient history to 5th grade students at TVS (2009-2015). His last posting was in Taiwan, teaching World Geography and Global Business. He is currently in the process of writing a book about his many travels. We are so lucky to have this globetrotting educator back in town to share his experiences with us!*

Grades 4-6 – Tuesdays, 3:45-5:00

Session I only: January 18 to March 8, \$110

Trojan Tunes Choir

Pauline Medlin, instructor

Trojan Tunes provides a great opportunity for music enrichment. The Trojan Tunes Choir performs at various special events throughout the school year. NEW participants are invited to start in January!

Grades 3-4 – Tuesdays, 3:45-4:30

Class continues January 25 and runs throughout the semester, \$50

Yoga

Kate Garrett, Nanda Yoga sponsor and instructor

*Through yoga, the Nanda School Program aims to increase Social Emotional Learning opportunities while creating a safe and inclusive environment that encourages students to have a Growth Mindset. Nanda instructors teach children to **Play Yoga** by mixing physical poses (asanas) with breathing techniques (pranayama), mindfulness activities, meditation, storytelling, age-appropriate games, music, songs, language, and other arts that engage the “whole child.”*

Grades Pre-K-K – Wednesdays OR Thursdays, 2:45-3:30 – Maximum 10 students each day

Wednesdays, Session I: January 26 to March 9, \$145

Thursdays, Session I: January 27 to March 10, \$145

Wednesdays, Session II: March 23 to May 4, \$145

Thursdays, Session II: March 24 to May 5, \$145

Grades 1-4 – Wednesdays, 3:45-4:30

Session I: January 26 to March 9, \$145

Session II: March 23 to May 4, \$145

REGISTRATION TIPS AND INFORMATION:

- Registration for ALL PROGRAMS will occur online via TVS. Registration will open for all programs on Tuesday, January 4 at 7:00 p.m.
- Several programs will have limited enrollment. When enrollment fills, your child’s name will automatically go onto a waiting list. Mrs. Forbes will confirm roster status as soon as possible with families.
- Feel free to sign up in January for second sessions that begin later in the semester, or you can give it further thought. A reminder email will be sent out prior to second session start dates if there are spaces available. Additional enrichment programs may be added for the Session II.
- Specific information about programs including location, pick-up, and other logistics will be sent prior to the first meeting.
- No fees are paid at the time of registration. Fees for these programs will be charged to your TVS student account. Fees for Session I programs should appear on February statements. Fees for Session II programs should appear on April statements.

TVS LOWER SCHOOL EXTRACURRICULAR PROGRAMS WEEKLY-AT-A-GLANCE

Programs marked with * will run during Spring Session I only (between January 10 – March 11).

Programs marked with ** will run during Spring Session II only (between March 21 – May 6).

GRADE	MONDAYS	TUESDAYS	WEDNESDAYS	THURSDAYS	FRIDAYS
Pre-K	Ballet/Jazz*	Snapology: Junior Engineers* Snapology: Kinderbots**	Yoga	Yoga	Soccer Shots
Kindergarten	Song & Dance Around the World**	Ballet/Jazz*	Yoga Bricks4Kidz	Yoga Chess	Soccer Shots
First	Ballet (L1-2)* Hip Hop* Song & Dance Around the World**	Drawing Factory* Game On**	Bricks4Kidz Jazz/Lyrical (L1-2)* Yoga	Benevolent Bookworms** Chess Chinese* Mixed Media Art & Pop-Up Cards*	Soccer Shots
Second	Ballet (L1-2)* Hip Hop*	Drawing Factory* Game On**	Bricks4Kidz Jazz/Lyrical (L1-2)* Yoga	Benevolent Bookworms** Chess Chinese* Mixed Media Art & Pop-Up Cards*	Soccer Shots
Third	Ballet (L1-2)* Hip Hop* Great Thinkers**	Drawing Factory* Trojan Strides Trojan Tunes Trojan Travelers	Bricks4Kidz Jazz/Lyrical (L1-2)* Yoga	Chess Chinese* Mixed Media Art & Pop-Up Cards* Trojan Strides**	
Fourth	Ballet (L1-2)* Hip Hop* Great Thinkers**	Trojan Strides Trojan Tunes Trojan Travelers	Bricks4Kidz Jazz/Lyrical (L1-2)* Yoga	Chess Chinese* Mixed Media Art & Pop-Up Cards* Trojan Strides**	